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City Council to Discuss Position On Sectional Map Amendment

by Elaine Skolnik

The Greenbelt City Council will meet next Monday to prepare for the upcoming public hearing on the proposed Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) for the Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt Planning areas.

Initiated when the Prince Georges County District Council adopted the Master Plan with amendments on October 31, 1989, the SMA implements the zoning changes needed to conform to the land-use proposals in the Master Plan. The council work session will be held in the Municipal Building on Monday, January 29 at 8 p.m.

Council is expected to review the Greenbelt portion of the SMA, in particular those areas where council previously differed with the preliminary Master Plan proposals. Council documented its concerns in a July 25, 1989 letter to the Prince Georges County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). Included were the A. H. Smith / Metro / Beltway Plaza properties, the Sunrise tract and the Residential Planned Community zone in the city's core. Later the zoning of part of the Green Springs property in Greenbelt East required more scrutiny.

Smith/Metro/Beltway Plaza

The city council was dissatisfied with the preliminary Master Plan's recommendation of the Mixed Use-Transportation Oriented zone (M-X-T) for the A. H. Smith property located west of Cherrywood Lane. While not disagreeing that M-X-T may be an appropriate zone for the tract, council felt that any change in zoning would be premature because the opening of the Greenbelt Metro was years away (late 1993). Council believed that by retaining the existing industrial zoning, the city would have more control over the tract's future development.

When the District Council adopted the Comprehensive Master Plan on October 31, 1989, an amendment was adopted that showed "mixed use development comprised of office, research, institutional, recreational, hotel/

motel, residential, and appropriate retail commercial uses for the Greenbelt Metro Station and vicinity, including the 77-acre (Metro) tract owned by WMATA and the 190 acre A. H. Smith property."

In approving this designation for mixed-use development, the District Council retained the existing zoning of the properties and, at the request of County Council member Richard Castaldi, a resolution was adopted to address the zoning around the Greenbelt Metro Station by means of Transit District Overlay (T-D-O) zoning procedure. Although boundaries of the zone have not yet been defined, it is anticipated that, in addition to the A. H. Smith and WMATA tracts, Beltway Plaza will also be included.

(The T-D-O Zone, a mapped zone superimposed over other zones in a designated area, may modify certain requirements for development within those underlying zones. A T-D-O plan must be approved by the District Council and subsequent development will be subject to Transit District Site Plan approval by the Planning Board.)

Sunrise

When the District Council adopted the Master Plan last October, it contained an amendment initiated by Castaldi that designated the Sunrise property as both R-10 (multi-family, high density residential) and C-O (commercial office). However, only one zoning category can be designated in the SMA when adopted. Castaldi, the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee and several hundred Greenbelt East residents prefer a commercial office complex on the Sunrise property because they say the traffic impact on residents would not be as severe as apartment development. See SMA, page 5

County Council Hearing

by Elaine Skolnik

The Prince Georges County Council, sitting as the District Council, will hold a public meeting on the proposed Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) for the Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt Master Plan (Planning Areas 65, 66, 67) on Tuesday, February 13 at 7 p.m. in Eleanor Roosevelt High School. After the District Council adopted the Master Plan, the staff of the Prince Georges Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) prepared the SMA. The SMA implements the land use recommendations of the Master Plan by assuring that zoning is consistent with the recommendations. The SMA must be approved by the District Council by May 31 or the entire Master Plan process will be void.

The newly adopted Master Plan updates the 1970 Master Plan for College Park-Greenbelt & Vicinity and also includes the Langley Park planning area. The plan defines long-range land use plans and development in the Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt planning areas. The preliminary draft was developed over a period of five years by the M-NCPPC planning staff with input by the Citizens Advisory Committee, then unveiled in Greenbelt in mid-April 1988.

After a joint public hearing by the District Council and Planning Board in Greenbelt, the planning staff prepared an analysis of the testimony. On August 3, 1989, the preliminary Master Plan was adopted by the Planning Board and transmitted to the District Council. Final approval of the plan, along with 17 amendments, was given by the District Council on October 31, 1989. The new Master Plan will serve as a guide for future development in the Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt planning areas for the next six to ten years.

Beltway Plaza Tree Agreement Reached by Council and Brown

by Pat Scully

At a special meeting on Tuesday, January 16, city council voted 3-2 to attempt to reach an agreement with Sidney Brown, owner of Beltway Plaza, to drop the city's appeal of site plan approval for the Plaza in exchange for increased amenities. Brown signed the agreement on January 19 and the City dropped its appeal.

The County Planning Board had approved a Departure from Design Standards (DDS) on the site plan submitted in conjunction with the expansion of the plaza. The city's appeal was based on insufficient parking spaces and lack of clarity in the Board's continuing waiver of parking standards. Construction was stopped pending hearing of the appeal.

At its January 16 meeting, council considered an agreement

drafted by city attorney Robert Manzi following a work session held with Brown on January 10. A report on the work session is included later in this article. The draft was changed by both Brown and the city before agreement was reached.

The agreement calls for additional landscaping on three sides of the perimeter of the plaza, along Greenbelt Road, Cherrywood Lane and Breezewood Drive. The agreement also con-

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City's Only Woman Mayor, Elizabeth Harrington, Dies

by Virginia Beauchamp

Greenbelt's only woman mayor, Elizabeth Harrington, who served from 1949 to 1951, died of cardiorespiratory arrest at Washington Hospital Center on January 15. She was 87 years old. She had been a resident of University Park since leaving Greenbelt in the early 1950s.

Prior to her term as mayor, Mrs. Harrington served on the Greenbelt City Council from 1947 to 1949. Her campaign slogan, "I am a housewife, first, last and always," was surely unique in the city's history. When interviewed in 1980 about her term as mayor, she attributed her success to the fact that she was not "a flag-waving feminist."

Nevertheless, throughout her life she rose to leadership positions. She had served for 14 years on the board of the YWCA in New York City before coming to Maryland. In the latter part of the 1950s she was president of the Prince Georges County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations and was also first vice president of the State Congress of PTAs. In 1957 she was named director of the YWCA branch in far Southeast Washington, a po-

sition she held until her retirement in 1968.

Mrs. Harrington was born in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. After graduating from the Mississippi State College for Women, she taught history for two years. She received a Master's degree in religious education from Columbia University.

Throughout her life, Mrs. Harrington worked on programs aimed at improving understanding between whites and blacks, and as county PTA president she pressed for integration of the county schools following the Supreme Court decision declaring segregation unconstitutional.

She is survived by her husband, Wells Harrington; a son George W. Harrington of Upper Marlboro; and a daughter, Ann Harrington Zahniser of Wilmore, Kentucky.

State Representatives Field Questions from Greenbelters

by Mary Lou Williamson

Greenbelt's District 23 representatives to the Maryland General Assembly—Democrats Senator Leo Green and Delegates Charles (Buzz) Ryan, Joan Pitkin and Mary Conroy—listened to the legislative concerns and interests of Greenbelt citizens at an Open Door meeting on Jan. 6. For two hours citizens brought their personal concerns, such as rising cost of health insurance, or the issues of groups they belong to like the Roper Committee's "Victims Bill of Rights"; still others brought political questions.

Bike Paths Squeezed

Bill Clark expressed concern that the recent construction project to widen Greenbelt Road squeezed out the bike paths that had been there. Beneath the Beltway bridge, he said, the biker has to share a lane with 18-wheelers. In asking the governor to look into the problem, Clark mentioned the helpful letters he had received from elected officials including the four present. A review for the Greenbelt area is underway and should be ready soon, he reported. "Where do we go from here, legislatively?" Clark asked the legislators.

"Stay on top of each project as it is being developed," recommended Ryan. "Talk to the State Highway people, they're approachable," added Pitkin.

Pension Fund Security

Recalling the savings and loan scandal in which Maryland's problems previewed the current national scandal, Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas X. White told the representatives he was concerned about the safety of pension funds. States are beginning to use those funds as venture capital to encourage economic development within the states. If the new company fails, White suggested, "the pensioners are out in the cold. You ought to have your eyes open on it." Buzz Ryan said they did. Maryland's trustees for state pension funds, when approached this fall for such a program, turned it down, according to Ryan.

Leo Green extended White's

warning into the area of credit unions, which he said had been exempted from the new higher standards to shore up the S&L's. He wants the legislature to look into new state requirements for credit unions.

Victim's Rights

Robert Harvey, a volunteer for the Stenhanie Roper Committee, spoke of that organization's goal for this year: a constitutional amendment for victim's rights. Victims, he said, are often lost in the judicial process—only the state and defendant are parties, while the victims are excluded. The four representatives were all supportive, though they wanted to see the details. "Over the years, Roberta Roper has been very effective," said Ryan. "I'm sure something substantial will come of it."

Health Care Costs

Maurice Love, a member of both Betterment of United Sen-

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What Goes On

Mon., Jan. 29, 8 p.m. City Council Worksession on the Master Plan's Sectional Map Amendment, Municipal Building

Tues., Jan. 30, 8 p.m. City Council Worksession with Corps of Engineers (Tentative)

Wed., Jan. 31, 4-8 p.m. Red Cross & Lions Club Greenbelt Blood Drive, St. Hugh's Grenoble Hall

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New Club Opens For Chem Dependencies

(The following article is written anonymously by a member of the new club.)

Finally, good news about alcoholism and drug-addiction: Greenbelt Step Club opens for alcoholics and drug addicts.

Every time you read a newspaper or listen to the news it's always the same story: We're losing the war on drugs, children are killing each other in the streets over crack-cocaine, alcoholism and alcohol abuse are skyrocketing, everything seems to get worse with no good news in sight. But now there is good news to report in Greenbelt.

On February 1 the Greenbelt Step Club opens. The location is 155 Centerway. The entrance is the rear of Domino's Pizza in the basement. There will be meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Chemical Dependency Anonymous, Alanon and Naranon. Alanon and Naranon are support groups for friends and loved ones trying to deal with the terror, resentment and heartbreak caused by another's alcoholism or drug addiction. When meetings aren't going on it's a drop-in for coffee, soda, and understanding. Just a friendly place for anyone trying to escape the horror of alcoholism and drug addiction.

The manager and co-founder of the club was himself hospitalized over 30 times for alcoholism and was a thorn in the side of the Greenbelt Police for years. Often he was seen passed out on a bench in the Center or stealing beer or panhandling change at the Co-op grocery store. Today, he's been sober for 10 years and is so grateful he wants to help give anyone in the Greenbelt area the chance for the happiness and freedom he's found.

The club hours will be 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday because midnight meetings will be held both those nights.

For additional information please call 345-5775. Our only wish is to be helpful. Anyone in need, please come and see that there is good news in Greenbelt.

Ladies Night Happy Hour At SHL on Thursday

The Fountain Lodge in Springhill Lake is sponsoring a Ladies Night Happy Hour Thursday, February 1 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This popular event will feature food from PIZZA MOVERS of College Park, beverages, and music from the Pros D. J.'s. There will be dancing and door prizes.

Residents are encouraged to register in advance by calling the Fountain Lodge at 474-4555. There is a small fee.

Park Group Meets

The Committee to Save the Green Belt will meet on Monday, February 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library lower-level meeting room. For more information call 982-0365.

Metro Bus Route Changes

Beginning Sunday, January 21, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority implemented a number of Metrobus route adjustments affecting Maryland riders. For detailed information or to receive a new timetable by mail, call Metro information at 637-7000.

Four routes serving the Greenbelt area are changed: F6, C2, 82/83, and R12. The F6 route (from Greenbelt to Silver Spring) will now run every 20 minutes during morning and evening rush hours. More trips of the C2 route (from Beltway Plaza to Twinbrook Metro Station) will run on Saturday mornings.

The trip times of the 82/83 route (running down Route #1 from Greenbelt Road to Rhode Island Metro station) are changed.

Lift-equipped buses for the convenience of disabled passengers are now assigned to some trips on the R12 bus route (Beltway Plaza to Deanwood Metro Station).

Rotary Inducts Neve

Trevor L. Neve was inducted into membership recently at the Greenbelt Rotary Club's weekly breakfast meeting, which is held every Thursday morning at the Greenbelt Marriott. Neve is a Research Fellow at the Logistics Management Institute. A former Air Force engineering officer, he has served both at base and headquarters levels. He is currently working on contracting, energy and privatization issues.



MUSEUM NEEDS ITEMS FOR FLEA MARKET

The Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) will be participating in the community-wide Flea Market on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Anyone cleaning out a closet—or with items such as household utensils, lamps, picture frames, dishes, toys, jewelry—is urged to contact FOGM for pick-up. Call Mary Linstrom at 474-7951. Donations may also be made at the Museum, 10-B Crescent Road, Sundays only, 1-5 p.m. All donations are tax deductible. Clothing and books will not be accepted.

Retirement Dinner for Orr

Drummond "Scotty" Orr, a resident of Greenbelt and physical education teacher at Greenbelt Middle School for 37 years, retired as of December 31, 1989. A retirement dinner will be held at Greenbelt Middle School for Orr on Monday, January 29, at 5 p.m. The snow date is February 5.

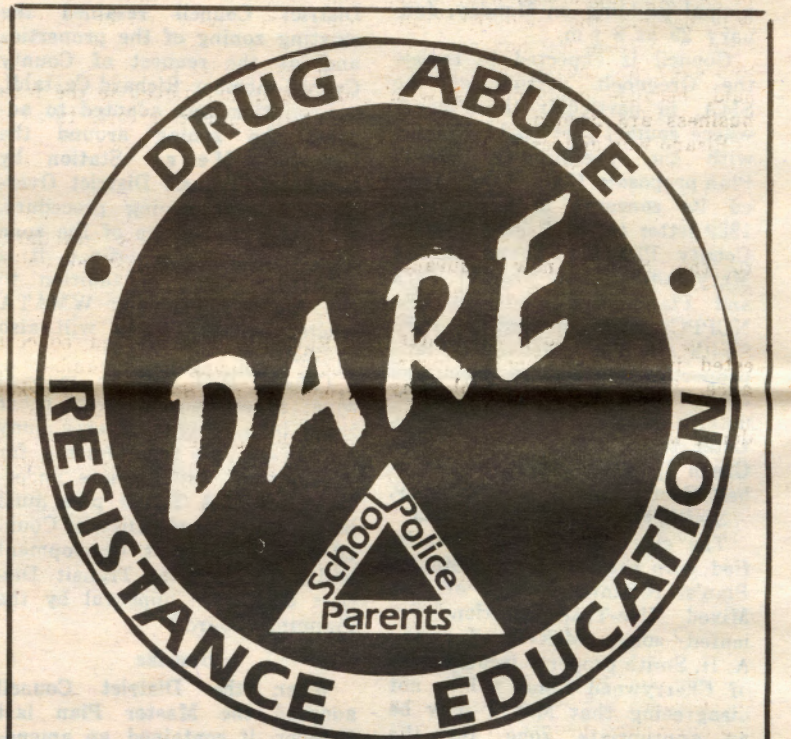
Nominations Sought For County Award

Nominations are now being solicited for the third annual Prince Georgian of the Year Awards.

The Prince Georgian of the Year Awards is a citizen recognition program established to recognize outstanding members of the community.

Nomination deadline is February 23. For more information call 952-4666.

Greenbelt Police Officer Dave Buerger, right, shakes hands with Edward McGehrin, founder and first president of the Greenbelt Rotary Club and executive vice president of Johnston Lemon & Co. of Capital Office Park. Steven Hosea, attorney with Mc Namee, Hosea, Jurnigan and Scott, Capital Office Park, looks on. Buerger addressed the Rotary Club concerning the successes of the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program. Center School teacher Donna Sturgill, who works with Buerger on the program, and two sixth grade students also participated, as did Center School Principal Dr. John Van Schoonhoven, a capital "R" Rotarian.



The Greenbelt Police Department, the students of Greenbelt Center and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools would like to thank the following supporters of Project D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education).

- ★ Best Products, Beltway Plaza
- ★ Greenbelt American Legion Post #136
- ★ Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #32
- ★ Greenbelt Rotary Club
- ★ Jaspers Restaurant
- ★ Kemp Mill Records
- ★ McDonald's Restaurant, Berwyn Heights
- ★ Sportsline, Greenway Shopping Center
- ★ Washington Bullets
- ★ Washington Capitals

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OPEN DOOR

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 iors and the Gray Panthers, said his groups are working toward several objectives; better services for the hearing impaired (a 30-day return for full refund for hearing aids) and keeping Leland Hospital open to serve the Riverdale and Hyattsville communities. The Gray Panthers, he said, are pursuing national health insurance. Only the U.S. and Africa lack such a program. He was enthusiastic about the Canadian system.

"The Canadian System sounds wonderful on paper," said Conroy, but she was concerned about the cost. "Don't be caught without investigating it," she cautioned. Fourteen of the world's 15 most industrialized nations have a program of national health insurance, said Green. The U.S. should look at all of those plans.

Love asked for "simplified billing from hospitals. It takes two days to understand a bill."

Ann Pisano asked for "family leave" for workers. Pitkin, who has sponsored such a bill for state workers for the past four years in the House of Delegates, expressed certainty that the idea is gaining support and, in time, will become the industry standard. The state bill has not been approved by the Senate, Green said, because compromises with business are needed.

Pisano was distressed by a purported 50 percent increase in her personal health insurance. Green suggested she send a copy of the written notice to him to forward to the State's new insurance commissioner with a request for an investigation.

Tony Pisano, too, was interested in national health insurance. "Maurice Love stole my thunder," he said. Pisano wondered whether a state health insurance program might be possible. "If the state is paying," Pisano said, "you can dictate to the medical community. You can make the rules."

Conroy disagreed. "Taxes will go up." But, Green added, "we're bankrupting ourselves for health costs. We're on a slippery slide."

John Wooten, a Canadian, asked everyone in the room, "Where are our young people? The average age here is over 50."

Florence Holly spoke of her concern for an elderly friend, now alone, who wants to move to California, but cannot. Her health insurance policy cannot be transferred to another state; thus she would have to purchase a new policy at greater cost.

Pitkin noted that changes in work status or marital status also effect significant changes in health insurance costs. Said Green, "It needs national action."

Abortion

Ottile Van Allen put the four representatives to their toughest test. She is active in both Legicum and the Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights. Because of the erosion of national abortion rights (Roe vs. Wade) by the Supreme Court with its Webster decision, she said, we are interested in rescinding the old laws now on the Maryland books, which could again deny abortion rights for women in Maryland if the Supreme Court should overturn Roe vs. Wade. Would you vote yes or no, she asked. Green, Conroy, Pitkin and Ryan all oppose abortion. "There is no gray area," said Conroy, who said she would vote no, as did Ryan.

"Personally, I don't think we should look at this issue this year," said Green. If the Supreme Court did overturn Roe vs.

Wade, the governor would call a special session of the legislature and one or the other side would seek an injunction through the courts, he said.

"I hate to see us in two warring factions," said Pitkin, who favors more open debate and sees room for compromise. Distressed, she said, that the U.S. has the highest rate of abortion, she would like the legislature to look at why there are so many unwanted pregnancies.

"In our district, the majority of people do favor the right to choose," said Ruth Bond, who spoke later in the meeting. (Her information appeared in a recent article in the *Prince Georges Journal*). She is concerned, she said, that in this district, which is a multi-religious society, one particular religion should not have the say on a public issue.

Pollution

Tom Moran wanted to know what is being done to legislate greater restrictions on emissions. A visit to Canada showed him how distressed people are about acid rain and U.S. responsibilities.

According to Pitkin, the governor is looking at California emissions laws; and coal furnaces are also a problem, but national or at least regional changes are needed. Ryan indicated that Maryland has moved to the forefront through its efforts to clean up the Bay. He said, "In our area, the auto is the greatest problem," particularly the extent of auto use by individuals. Green said improved EPA standards are needed for industrial pollution.

Truck Traffic

Ruth Bond expressed concern about reducing the number of trucks on the Beltway and asked for help from the legislature to provide economic incentives to transfer some of the freight trucks from interstate highways to rail lines. "You're probably ahead of the curve," said Pitkin. "We will have to turn, again, to railroads in the future." Green spoke of an eastern or western interstate bypass which would alleviate some of the traffic. "The governor has said we can't afford both."

"We can't afford not to have both," responded Bond.

Ethics and Politics

Larry Goldberg was the last to speak. Noting the ethics bill directed toward county elected officials which the legislature approved last year, he asked, "How do you feel about a similar bill for the General Assembly?" All expressed the need for a statewide bill and their past support for ethics legislation.

"Rumor has it Richard Castaldi (Dem., District 4) may or may not be receiving your support in the coming elections."

No Trains on BARC

To the Editor:

I first became aware of plans for development near the Greenbelt Metro station while attending a "Candidates Night" in October. Several members of city council reported county plans for high-density development on approximately 100 acres near the future Greenbelt Metro station—to include hotels, shopping and office buildings, etc.

I began gathering information and learned that this development would be located primarily on the A. H. Smith gravel pit property located between Beltway Plaza and the railroad tracks. According to the county's proposed Sectional Map Amendment, this property is recommended for rezoning to a category which encourages such development. A public hearing on February 13 is probably our last opportunity to express an opinion on this Master Plan.

On a related issue, many citizens have asked that the Metro train storage yard be relocated to the highly disturbed A. H. Smith gravel pit property instead of on ecologically valuable property owned by the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. In response, Metro officials claim that the train yard cannot be located on the Smith gravel pit property due to the environmental impact to its "wetlands" and flood plain. If that is true, then why does the county's Master Plan propose to rezone the Smith property to encourage high density development? Under current plans, there will be development on both the Smith property and on federally owned BARC land.

I ask Mr. Castaldi, as our county council representative and a member of the Metro Board of Directors, to work with the citizens to retain the present industrial zoning of the Smith site and to relocate the train yard there. Beltsville Agricultural Research Center land should not be developed as a train yard.

Rick Meetre

said Goldberg, asking each to respond. Pitkin, responding for the delegates, said they had met and determined that they would again stay neutral on the race for county council as they had during the previous two elections. District 23 overlaps with three county councilmanic districts and all are expected to have challenges this year, she said. Green said he hadn't yet talked with the delegates about the issue. Green, Conroy, Pitkin and Ryan all reside in Bowie. Castaldi is a resident of Greenbelt. Greenbelt and Bowie are both within legislative District 23 and county council District 4.

LETTERS

THANKS

I would like to thank the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad for their prompt, kind, efficient service on the recent morning when my husband Ed fell downstairs, sat on his right leg, and broke his tibia and fibula. No longer than 10 minutes after we dialed 911, the Rescue Squad was here. They handled the multiple, compound fracture with complete professionalism.

Nancy Vernot

THANKS

On behalf of the citizens of Boxwood Village I would like to express our thanks to David Moran, president of the Boxwood Civic Association, and Julie Greer, vice president, for their efforts in the refurbishing of the entrance gates to our development. Numerous other volunteers lent their time and effort to this successful project and we appreciate their time and civic spirit. I would also like to thank the city crews, who cleared the undergrowth and debris, for their assistance.

Judith G. Ott

Pullen Schools' Videotapes

Win First Place in Festival

Students at the Thomas G. Pullen Creative and Performing Arts Magnet won two first place awards for their media entries in the International Student Media Festival videotape competition for their drama/comedy entries "Who Killed James" and "Our Space Adventure."

The Student Media Festival and awards presentation will be held Thursday, February 1 at the Marriott Convention Center in Anaheim, Calif. Parents, students and teachers are attempting to raise funds to send some of the students to California to accept the awards.

"Explorations" Visits India On Friday, February 2

On Friday, February 2, Margaret Benjamin, a Greenbelt resident, will be the next presenter at "Explorations Unlimited." She will discuss the traditions and life style of India, including the culture, food, education and marriage traditions. Benjamin enjoys talking about her native India and hopes all who attend will participate and contribute their questions and comments.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Exploration will begin at 1 p.m. and will continue until 3 p.m. For more information call 474-6878.

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Public Improvement Bonds for 1990

Dated February 1, 1990

Sealed proposals will be received until 11:00 A.M. local Baltimore, Maryland time on Thursday, February 8, 1990 by the City Manager of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at the offices of Piper and Marbury, Conference Room 7SE, Charles Center South - 7th Floor, 36 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201 for the purpose of the above - described general obligation bonds of the City dated February 1, 1990, and ending, subject to prior redemption, on November 1, in annual amounts from 1991 to the year 2010.

An Official Notice of Sale and the Preliminary Official Statement together with the required forms of bid may be obtained from Alex Brown & Sons, Incorporated, 135 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 (301) 727-1700, Financial Advisor to the City.

James K. Giese

City Manager

Information to Citizens interested in purchasing one or more city bonds.

1. The bids will be sold in \$5,000 denominations with interest paid semi-annually.
2. It is possible that the buyer of all bids will purchase for an investment portfolio and the bids will not be re-offered to the general public on an individual basis.
3. Persons interested in purchasing one or more bonds should advise their investment broker.
4. The City cannot sell bonds directly to interested persons or assist in the purchase.
5. The City Manager's office can provide the name and address of the purchaser of the bonds at sale the afternoon of the sale.



SPRING

DAY CAMP



Oops, we goofed!

Please disregard the dates of Spring Camp published in the Recreation Department's Winter Brochure. The corrected dates are as follows:

1990 Spring Day Camp

WHEN: April 9, 1990 thru April 13, 1990 (The week before Easter)

Flyers will be mailed out to all local schools in February. For more information contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 474-6878.

Our Neighbors

by Dorrie Bates

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the recent death of Greenbelt's only woman mayor, Elizabeth Harrington.

Congratulations to Richard Kim, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, whose poster won the first place award in the "African Landscape Poster Contest", part of the Celebration—Black History Month 1990. Richard's poster depicts cultural and landscape scenes within a bold outline of the African continent. In addition to seeing his poster displayed throughout the county, Richard will receive \$175 cash award and the opportunity to work with a graphic designer.

There are many newcomers to welcome to our community. Drs. Joseph and Suzanne Lomax are pleased to announce the arrival of their first child, Eleanor Anne Lomax. Eleanor was born at Columbia Hospital for Women on December 27, weighing 7 lbs. 6 ozs. The Lomax family lives on South Ora Court.

Benjamin Thomas Moreland was born at Holy Cross Hospital on January 13. He weighed 7 lbs. 12½ ozs. Proud parents are Julie and Thomas Moreland of Hanover Parkway.

Linda and Jack Panossian began the New Year with a new member of the family. Paul Richard Panossian was born on January 1 at Holy Cross Hospital and weighed 10 lbs. 14½ ozs. He joins a sister Leila, 17 months. The Panossian family lives on 6 Plateau Place.

Nicole Isabella Tawney made her debut on December 31 at Holy Cross. Young Nicole weighed 9 lbs. 2 ozs. and joins her parents Madeleine and Brian on Emily's Way.

Gregory and Kelly Jones have a new baby, Ashley Elizabeth Jones. Ashley arrived at Holy Cross on December 30, weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz. The Jones family lives on Westway.

And from just slightly afar, former Greenbelt residents Mr. and Mrs. Steven Stratchko now of Prince Frederick, Maryland are happy to announce the birth of their son Steven Paul Stratchko. Steven Paul was born at Holy Cross on November 12 and has two sisters, Christy Leigh and Jenny Lynn. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Stratchko of Greenhill Road.

Rosemary and Albert Felsher of Ridge Road report that daughter Nani and son-in-law Dave Sunder Rao welcomed their second daughter, Laura Elizabeth, on December 18. Laura's older sister Sindi Marie is now 2½. The family lives in Front Royal, Va. The Felshers' son Mark and his wife Sandy, of Arlington, Va., became the proud parents of their first child, Andrew Michael, on January 21. Welcome all!

Glad to hear that Ann Sutherland is now at home recuperating from injuries suffered in a fall in December. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to David Erickson who has been elected to a position with the Explorer Officer's Association in the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. David, a member of Post 1275, will serve as the vice chair for programs.

Congratulations are also in order for Paula Clinedinst who made the Dean's list at Cotter College, Nevada, Missouri for the fall semester. Paula is the daughter of Lynn and George Clinedinst, Jr.

Congratulations, too, to Cindy Friend who received her B.A. in Business Administration from the University of Maryland, and made the Dean's List again. Cindy is a proofer for this newspaper.

Parents of SED Children Forming Support Group

Parents with severely emotionally disabled (SED) children are invited to share their concerns and experiences with other parents. The Self-Help Support Group for Parents of Severely Emotionally Disturbed Children is a newly formed group that is being sponsored by the Mental Health Association of Prince Georges County.

The support group will have its first meeting on Thursday, February 1 at 7 p.m. in the Margaret Brent Special Education Center (room 11) in New Carrollton. There is no charge for attending this group's meeting.

For further information or for directions to the Center, please contact The Mental Health Association at 499-2107.

Warren-Felsher

Nena Ann Warren and Paul Daniel Felsher, both of Durham, North Carolina, were married on Saturday, November 4 in the Duke University Chapel, Durham, N.C. The Rev. Dr. Allen Laymon of Charlotte, N.C. officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Warren of Gastonia, North Carolina and parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Felsher, Jr. of Greenbelt.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal ivory gown of satin and re-embroidered Alencon lace with princess bodice. Her shoulder length veil of bridal illusion extended from a picture hat. She carried a bouquet of loosely tied white orchids.

Attendants included Janet Warren, sister of the bride, Albert W. Felsher, Jr., father of the groom and groomsmen David Sunder Rao, brother-in-law of the groom, Clint Boushell, Bob Bodner, and Dr. John Hanly.

The bride is employed as a registered dietician with the North Carolina Highway Patrol and Duke University's Preventive Approach to Cardiology.

The groom is currently a doctoral graduate student in Physics at Duke University.

After honeymooning on Tortola, British Virgin Islands they are making their home in Durham.

Partying for the Red Cross

The Prince Georges County Mardi Gras Celebration at the Cross will host its second annual Chapter of the American Red Cross Greenbelt Marriott's Grand Ballroom on Saturday, January 27 at 7 p.m.

All proceeds from this event will be used to help fund needed Chapter services for Prince Georges County residents.

Tickets can be purchased by calling the Prince Georges County Chapter, American Red Cross at 559-8500, x31 before January 22.



**Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt**
MASS
Municipal Building
Sunday, 10 a.m.



Nena and Paul Felsher

St. Hugh's School Holds Open House

St. Hugh's Catholic School will hold an open house on Wednesday, January 31 from 9-11 a.m. All members of the community are invited to attend.

The open house is in celebration of "Catholic Schools Week"—January 28-February 3. "Catholic Schools Week" was proclaimed by county executive Parris Glendening at a special ceremony at St. Bernard's school on Wednesday.

COBE Mission Explained

Goddard Scientist Dr. Nancy Boggess will explain the role the Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE) satellite, launched November 18, will play in studying the origins of the universe at "The Big Bang: Fact or Fiction?" to be held Sunday, January 28 at 1 p.m. at the Goddard Space Flight Center Visitor Center. All are invited.

David Reznikoff

Residents of Greenbelt will be saddened to learn of the sudden death of one time resident David Reznikoff from a heart attack.

He will be remembered for assisting with the building of Mishkan Torah (formerly known as the J.C.C.) and for championing the cause of those without health care insurance. He was a strong advocate for a National Health Care System and, in 1987, was successful in persuading the Maryland General Assembly to pass a Resolution in support of such a system.

Mr. Reznikoff is survived by son-in-law Alice and Marshall Weismann, & grandsons Marc and Steven of Silver Spring and son, Neil, of Rochester, New York.

Janet Parker

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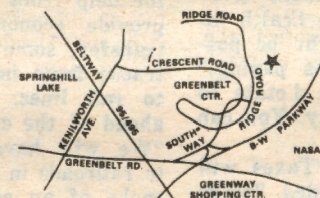
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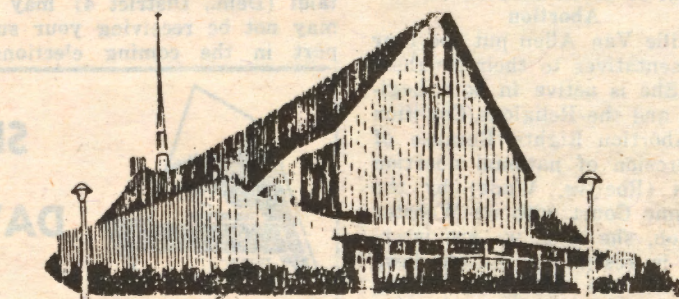
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345-5111

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SMA REVIEW

(Continued from page one)
velopment. The city staff found that the road system could not handle the traffic generated by a large commercial office complex.

Several years ago the Sunrise developer proposed a 610,000-square-foot commercial office complex. While sympathetic, council felt the project was too massive. The developers reduced their proposal to 450,000 square feet, but were not willing to make the further reductions council requested. Before the property could be rezoned commercial, the developer would be required to show that adequate public facilities, in particular, roads, exist to support the project.

Recently the county Planning Board approved a site plan for 467-unit high-rise apartment building for the property. The developers have also applied for a permit to install a foundation footing on the tract to protect their R-10 zoning rights. They are also awaiting a decision from the County Board of Appeals on a request for a variance. Since the county approved a preliminary site plan for apartments on the property in the 1960s, no adequate public facilities test is required now.

RPC

When the Preliminary Master Plan was unveiled in Greenbelt in 1988, a critical concern was that the Residential Planned Community zone (RPC) was not retained in the original core of the city.

Later, the County Council passed a bill sponsored by Castaldi clearing the way for the retention and expansion of the R-P-C category in the city. The Master Plan was then modified to reflect this action in order, the text notes, "to protect the integrity of the 'historic planned' community."

The SMA not only recommends R-P-C for the original core, which includes Greenbelt Homes, Inc. homes, but also Parcels 1 and 2 located between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and GHI homes, Roosevelt Center, the Co-op Gas Station and the Furey property located outside the city limits north of Ridge Road, near Lakeside North Apartments.

Westchester Park

City council also expressed opposition to the rezoning of 17.8 acres in Westchester Park to commercial office. The property, located off Kenilworth Avenue outside the city limits, juts into Greenbelt National Park. Council prefers that the tract be given a zoning designation of rural residential (R-R) with a Comprehensive Design Zone (C-D-Z) symbol on the SMA map. In the adopted Master Plan the District Council provided that the Westchester tract be designated R-R

with an asterisk symbol denoting the C-D-Z, Residential-Medium zoning category (5.8 to 7.9 dwelling units an acre). The SMA will not implement the C-D-Z, since the developer must first present a Basic Plan and submit an individual zoning application.

Richmond American, developer of Green Springs, the remaining portion of the Mark Vogel/Magnolia property, is planning to develop 20 acres south of Hanover Parkway and 6.5 acres bound by Hanover Parkway, future Brae Brook Drive and the PEPCO right-of-way. The developer proposes 60 single-family homes in the R-55 category (6.7 units an acre) on the larger tract and 40 townhouses in the R-T zone for the smaller parcel.

The Adopted Master Plan shows R-80 single-family homes for the entire acreage, which permits from 3.4 to 4.5 homes an acre.

The Adopted Master Plan places all federal, M-NCPPC and municipal parks in the Open Space (O-S) or R-P-C (O-S) Zone.

County Seeks Nominations For Women's Hall of Fame

The Prince Georges County Commission for Women is seeking nominations for the County's Women's Hall of Fame, County Executive Parris N. Glendening announced. "Many women have contributed greatly to our progress in Prince Georges County and are worthy of nomination to the Hall of Fame. I encourage Prince Georgians to submit Hall of Fame nominations to the County Commission for Women," said Glendening.

Up to five women will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at a special ceremony on March 21, during Women's History Month. Nominations must be submitted by Wednesday, January 31. Nomination forms may be obtained at all local libraries.

Local Man Previews Commerce in Asia - A Review

by Tom Simon

ASIAN CENTURY: The Economic Ascent of the Pacific Rim—And What It Means for the West, by Julian Weiss.

Julian Weiss, a Greenbelt resident and journalist specializing in Asian business and commerce, has written a fact-filled examination of the economies of the United States' Far Eastern competitors and trade partners. Weiss has written for *The Economist* and *Christian Science Monitor*, and is founder of the Washington Roundtable for the Asian Press.

Will the coming century be the "Asian Century"? And how will the rest of the world, especially the U.S., meet the challenge? Weiss examines the economies of the Pacific Rim countries; not just Japan, but also the increasingly important "Four Tigers" (Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong, also known as the Little Dragons), as well as China and Malaysia. The amazing growth of these countries is based on their willingness to endure (or impose) hard times and self-discipline on themselves and to take risks in a way which the self-indulgent U.S. is no longer willing to. They have put Western technology to work to bolster their own trade (take the American developed VCR as an example) and enhance their manufacturing know-how and efficiency.

Weiss examines the economics of each country, analyzing the present situation and the forecast for bell wether industries such as computers, automobiles, biotechnology, and heavy industries. What are the prospects for growth, and what obstacles must be overcome? How are the national economies changing and how will their societies adjust? He finally ventures some judgments of the investment opportunities open to Americans.

Japan, according to Weiss, which we perceive to be our foremost world-wide competitor, fac-

es a less than rosy future. Its economic woes will increase as its population ages, putting more pressure on the middle-aged generation, which is increasingly affluent and leisure oriented. It faces increased worker unrest, and the need to orient its industries as the Four Tigers challenge it in heavy manufacturing. The U.S. and other nations have grown wary of Japan's opportunistic ability to capture the fruits of their R. & D. Since Japan's educational system does not encourage creativity and its weakness is in basic scientific research, Japan may be less likely to score the big technological and marketing breakthroughs in the future, Weiss examines the situation in various high-tech fields, from computer chips to superconductivity and their future both to Japan and as opportunities for investors.

Although this book was being printed at the time of the crack-down by the Chinese government on the pro-democracy demonstrations last June, Weiss had foreseen that contradiction between the professed liberalism of the government and the limitations the Chinese government placed on both the still-small private sector and the much-heralded joint ventures. Opportunities for investment and trade in China he sees as potentially frustrating for Westerners.

Weiss moves from point to point without the explanations necessary for the casual reader. It is easy to be lost in the maze of statistics and an alphabet soup of acronyms. But for the person with a stake in international trade and commerce, this will be a worthwhile read. Weiss reports that a Japanese edition is selling well.

ROTC Offers Scholarships

College students who will be juniors in September 1990 may be eligible for a Reserve Forces Duty Scholarship which provides \$7,000 or 80 percent, whichever is higher, annually, to cover the cost of college tuition.

The scholarship also provides additional monies for lab fees, textbooks and other supplies along with a monthly \$100 tax-free stipend during the school year.

Selected students would belong to the Maryland Army National Guard under the Simultaneous Membership Program.

Upon graduation, the student receives a commission as a second lieutenant and serves a minimum eight years in the Maryland Army National Guard.

Full details on benefits, entry requirements and service obligations can be obtained by calling Cpt. Jeffrey Pope, National Guard ROTC liaison officer at 301-338-7474.

Interested students must return the application and required forms by January 31.

Hair with Flair Workshop

Guest speaker Adrienne Brown will talk about hairstyling ideas on Wednesday, January 31, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Learn to create different hair styles by dealing with what one already has. Also learn styles of sophistication, casual styles or day-to-day styles for the office. For those who wish to participate in this session at the Fountain Lodge, please arrive with dry clean hair and the individual's own hair utensils. A wine and cheese reception will follow the program.

Please register in advance by calling 474-4555. Admission is free.

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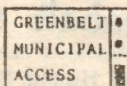
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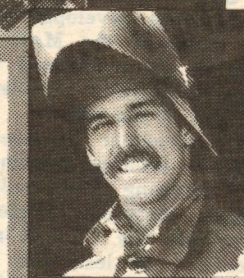
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COUNCIL TIDBITS

by Diane Oberg

The City Council, at its regular meeting on January 8, discussed whether to meet in the city to plan for changes in the budget process or to meet elsewhere as planned.

Mayor pro-tem Thomas X. White called on council to change its plans for a council-staff planning session on the first two-year budget from an out-of-town retreat to a meeting in Greenbelt. White argued that this session is not within the normal bounds of a retreat. Instead, he said that this is "very much linked" to the budget process and should be part of a public meeting in the city.

Keith Chernikoff called the planning session a "key planning tool" and said that he viewed the decision to hold it "out of public light with disdain." Further, he argued that citizens need the opportunity to attend the planning session because, he charged, it is very difficult to make major changes to the budget once it is presented by Giese.

There was little support for this position from the rest of council. Council member Antoinette Bram argued that there are no facilities in the city that are conducive to concentration.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld also favored a retreat where council and staff can work in a concentrated manner over a couple of days. He said that it is difficult to do that in Greenbelt where after meeting for a while, participants become eager to get home to their family concerns. Weidenfeld argued that there would be plenty of opportunity for citizens to get involved later in the budget process.

Council member Joseph Isaacs initially supported holding the budget session in the city. However, he later changed his position, saying that since this is the first year of a new system, council needs to be away where it can show its naivete in private.

Weidenfeld pointed out that no final decisions will be set at the meeting, but that instead the focus will be on goals and objectives. He said the session would be an airing of different concepts of where the city is going. Weidenfeld said that a synopsis of what was talked about would be made available to citizens.

Chernikoff asked whether all documents relating to staff reports and department head presentations will be made available. Giese agreed, but pointed out that much of the information will not be in writing.

A motion to hold the budget planning meeting outside of Greenbelt passed on a 3-1 vote with White opposed and council member Edward Putens absent due to illness.

Development

Council deferred action on Richmond-American's concept plan for the Green Spring II development until after a work session scheduled for January 29. The Advisory Planning Board (APB) recommended support of the plan for development of the 26.5 acres of the Mark Vogel/Magnolia Farm property but recommended further consideration of one part of the plan.

The developer of Greenbrook Manor is seeking a county variance allowing it to reduce the distance between condominium units from the 70 feet required by code to no less than 20 feet. Richard Reed, representing Michael T. Rose Associates, said that this request will not result in higher density. Under current zoning up to 252 units could be built on the property. Reed expects that approximately 230

units will be built. The developer is seeking the variance to provide flexibility in building design and placement on the site.

Council unanimously agreed to support the variance request subject to the approval of the City Solicitor, who was ill that evening, and subject to several conditions recommended by APB and accepted by the developer.

Under these conditions the developer will enter into covenants with the city granting site plan approval for the layout of the units affected by the variance.

As part of the consent agenda, council accepted Hanover Parkway, Greenbrook Drive, Kara Court and Megan Lane into the city's street system.

Board Appointments

Council reappointed Booker T. Hughes, Marvin Holmes and Saul Grife to the Community Relations Advisory Board. Nat Shinderman and Robert Spear were reappointed to the Board of Elections while William Ayers and Ben Rosenzweig were reappointed to the Employee Relations Board. Sally Robbins and Sandy Bowers were reappointed to the Crime Prevention Committee.

School Board member Suzanne Plogman presented Recreation Coordinator John Webster, of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, with a certificate from the board of education recognizing Webster's work in establishing the Academic Achievement Program at the Springhill Lake Elementary School. This program is designed to motivate students to perform academically. Plogman noted that in September Webster received the County Executive's Leadership Award for his work.

Webster said that it takes the combined efforts of students, teachers, administrators and parents to encourage academic excellence.

As part of the consent agenda, council approved the submittal of a grant application to the Maryland Historical Trust for \$39,000 for the recarving and rehabilitation of the Mother and Child Statue at Roosevelt Center Mall. The city will provide matching funds. Council also approved the submittal of a grant request to the National Endowment of the Arts for \$39,000 which, if approved, would be used to provide these matching funds for the first grant.

GHI Reviews Draft Changes To Its Articles and Manual

by Mary Moien

The Board of Directors of Greenbelt Homes Inc. met in an uncharacteristically short session on January 11. Two major items of interest were discussed; a review of a draft restatement and amendment to the Articles of Incorporation and proposed revisions to the booklet of GHI Rules and Regulations.

Articles of Incorporation

The board is reviewing the Articles of Incorporation to ensure that they are up to date with current state regulations. The articles serve as the constitution of the cooperative and set forth its purposes for existence and its general scope of authority. Language has been streamlined where necessary and additions inserted and deletions proposed. The review is not complete. In addition, any final changes will need to be approved by the membership.

GHI Manual Update

Additions and changes to Section X of the GHI Rules and Regulations manual led management to revise that section to be more "user friendly." Section X contains information on improvements and alterations to the GHI homes. The proposed update will clarify what changes are allowed, what specific improvements are prohibited and when and how to obtain permission to make alterations on a home. It is a basic restatement of what is currently in the book, but will now contain information on the new vinyl siding policy recently approved by the board. This matter will be discussed again at a future meeting.

Traffic Study

The board was concerned with the methodology used in a recent traffic study conducted by the city. City staff were stationed at Southway and Greenbelt Road and at Crescent and Kenilworth at rush hour to follow trucks to ascertain which might be taking a short cut through the city. GHI felt that the number of cars should be counted also to see if traffic in general is increasing.

The city did not count cars since they cannot prohibit cars from cutting through the city. GHI will again contact the city to request that a count of cars be made so that a baseline estimate of traffic will be available for future comparisons.

Air Conditioners

Staff had been asked to review minutes of past board meetings to ascertain if regulations had been approved prohibiting window air conditioners in homes after the new windows had been installed. Staff found that no prohibition was in place and that diagrams had been prepared in 1984 showing members how to install the air conditioners in windows by using support brackets to spread the weight and avoid damage to window frames. It was stated, however, that members must have GHI permission before installing the air conditioners.

MIS Support Group Meets

M.I.S., a self-help, support group for parents who have experienced the loss of a child through miscarriage, infant death, or stillbirth, will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, February 1 in Private Dining Room 2 of Holy Cross Hospital of Silver Spring, 1500 Forest Glen Road.

The meeting is free of charge. For more information, call Carla Hosford at 565-1437, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Roosevelt Rap

Want to enjoy a great evening of music theatre? "42nd Street" will be presented on Feb. 2, 3, and 4 at Eleanor Roosevelt High School at 7:30 p.m. There is a fee.

Come early on Friday, Feb. 2 and enjoy a real Italian spaghetti dinner, cooked and served by Wind Ensemble parents; Mrs. Vicky Garzone will be the chef. The menu is spaghetti, meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert. Help support the wind ensemble in this fund raising for a trip to an International Festival in Harrogate, England in April. Dinner will be served from 5-7 p.m. For information on dinner tickets and cost call 345-7500, ext. 166 or 167 or the Greenbelt Wind Ensemble students.

Eleanor Roosevelt Music Department has done it again. For the sixth consecutive year—1983 to the present—more Roosevelt students have been selected for state band and orchestra, than any other school in the State. Thirty-five students — 13 for band, 10 for orchestra, and five for choir, plus 7 alternates. Director of bands is Sally Wagner, orchestra director is Dorothy Pickard, and choir director is Dr. Barbara Baker.

Greenbelt students who have been chosen are: senior high All-State Chorus - James Fielder, William Fielder; junior All-State Band - Mariam Hunanian - flute alternate; Isaac Wiley, Euphonium, alternate.

All-State honor groups will rehearse at Eleanor Roosevelt, and will have, this year, the special honor of performing at the National Music Educator's Conference in Washington, D.C. March 26-31.

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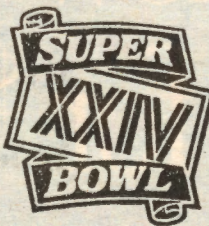
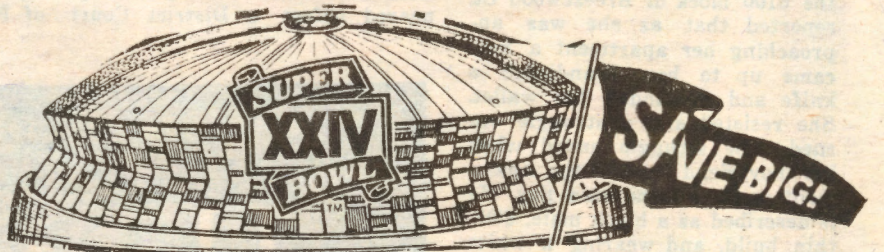


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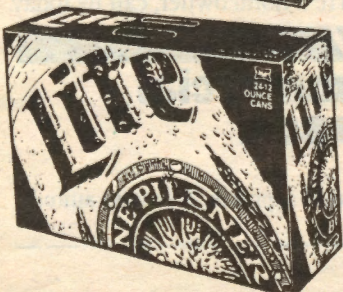
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POLICE BLOTTER

On January 13, a resident of the 9100 block of Springhill Ln. called the police while someone was breaking into her apartment. Upon responding, Officer Marie Croisette apprehended a man chasing a woman who turned out to be the resident. Investigation revealed that the man, a past boyfriend of the resident, had broken the window of her apartment, entered and struck her in the face. He also had a handgun lying in plain view in his vehicle. The man, a 21-year-old nonresident, was arrested and charged with burglary, battery and transportation of a handgun. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner where he was held without bond pending trial.

Also on January 13, Officer Marie Croisette arrested a 15-year-old nonresident boy, charging him with theft for stealing cash from the cash register at AMC 8, Beltway Plaza, where he worked. He was incarcerated at Boy's Village pending action by Juvenile Services.

Trespasses, Weapons, Assaults

On January 14, a resident in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace reported seeing someone looking in her window. Pfc. Maria Arthur located the person and a foot-chase ensued. Before reaching his vehicle, the person was apprehended by Pfc. Carl Schinner. The 44-year-old nonresident male was arrested and charged with trespassing and resisting arrest; he appeared before a District Court Commissioner where he was released pending trial.

On January 15, Pfc. Alan Caho arrested a 35-year-old resident after the man discharged a handgun within his residence in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Ln. The bullet traveled through the floor into a neighbor's apartment. No injuries were reported. The man was charged with discharging a firearm within the city and released on a citation pending trial.

On January 16 a resident in the 6100 block of Breezewood Ct. reported that as she was approaching her apartment a man came up to her, brandished a knife and demanded her wallet. She resisted and a struggle ensued. The struggle ended when her boyfriend opened the apartment door and the man fled. He is described as a black male, 6'0", thin build, and wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans.

On January 5 a VCR was stolen from an office suite in the 6300 block of Ivy Lane.

Also on January 5, Officer Robert Dowling arrested two juveniles, a 12-year-old resident and a 14-year-old nonresident, for theft and malicious destruction of property. The juveniles stole various bathroom items from a housekeeper's cart in the Greenbelt Marriott and vandalized items on different floors. The juveniles were released to their mothers pending action by Juvenile Services.

Pfc. Alan Caho arrested two nonresident men for attempted theft on January 5. The men tried to gain entry into two cash registers at Marshall's Department Store in Beltway Plaza; both appeared before a District Court Commissioner where they were released pending trial.

On January 8 the Montgomery County Police recovered a 1989 Toyota Tercel that had been stolen from the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive on January 1. The car was found unoccupied in Silver Spring. No arrests were made.

In the evening of January 8 rocks were thrown through the window of Maria's Beauty Shop in the 100 block of Centerway.

On January 9 Pfc. Michael Lanier attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation on Kenilworth Avenue in the area of Old Calvert Road. The vehicle made a U-turn instead of stopping. It was eventually stopped in Riverdale, and the driver, a 42-year-old nonresident male, was arrested for fleeing and eluding a marked police vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed a baggie containing suspected prescription drugs and a slim jim, which is a device used to enter vehicles. The man was then charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance and rogue and vagabond (possession of a burglary tool). The man appeared before a District Court Commissioner where he was held on \$1000 bond pending trial.

Vehicles: Thefts, Recoveries

On January 13 Pfc. Michael Lanier stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation in the area of Edmonston Ct. at Edmonston Terr. and discovered that the registration plates on the vehicle were reported stolen. He arrested the driver of the vehicle, who was a 20-year-old nonresident male. The man was charged with theft and appeared before a District Court Commissioner where he was released pending trial.

On January 15, a resident of the 6000 block of Springhill Dr. reported the theft of her 1989 black GMC Jimmy, Md. tags 377527M. On January 16, a resident reported the theft of her 1983 red Volkswagen Rabbit, D.C. tags DRE 007, from the 9100 block of Edmonston Rd.

Upon stopping a car for a traffic violation on Kenilworth Ave. near Greenbelt Rd. on January 16, Officer Robert Dowling found that the car had been reported stolen from D.C. He arrested the 19-year-old nonresident male driving the car and charged him with auto theft. The youth appeared before a District Court

CITY NOTES

The Special Details Crew assisted in moving the Police Department to their new facility. At the city offices they rearranged the signs in the parking lot and prepared one of the temporary trailers for removal.

The Streets Crew blacktopped in the Municipal Building parking lot and laid conduit for the flag pole and sign at the new Police Facility.

The Horticulturist Crew landscaped the new Police Facility. The Building Crew started to remodel the old police station for use by other city departments.

Library Exhibit Will Feature Local Artist

African-American themes, rural landscapes and still lifes, expressed in oils and watercolors by Greenbelt artist Arnold Hurley, will be the featured exhibit at The Gallery at the Greenbelt Library, Jan. 28 through Feb. 28.

Now an art instructor in the Prince Georges County Public Schools, Hurley was visiting artist at Boston's Emerson College from 1977-1988. His honors and accomplishments include Attleboro (Mass.) Museum Best in Watercolor; Strathmore Award for Painting; *Who's Who in American Art*; and *Yankee Magazine*, painting reproduction, January 1987.

Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 2-8 p.m.; Fri. and Sat., 2-5 p.m.

Commissioner where he was held on \$5000 bond.

On January 18, a patron of the Greenbelt Marriott reported the theft of a 1989 blue Volkswagen Jetta, Md. tags 1A07251, from the parking lot.

Vandalism to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of autos were reported in the following areas: 6900 bl. Hanover Pkwy., 5800 and 5900 bl. Cherrywood Ln., 8000 bl. Mandan Rd., 3200 bl. Breezewood Ct., 9100 bl. Edmonston Ct. and 7900 bl. Lakecrest 53 Court of Crescent Road, parking lot of Beltway Plaza, parking lot of Market Lane, 6100 block of Springhill Drive, and 9 Court of Parkway.

CITY CO-SPONSORS TRIP TO HISTORIC ANNAPOLIS

On Monday, February 5, the Recreation Department and M-NCPPC are co-sponsoring a trip to Historic Annapolis. The bus will pick up participants at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center at 12:50 p.m. and at Sovran Bank at 1 p.m. Events on the trip include visits to the Naval Academy, Naval Academy Museum, and Maryland State House. In the evening, participants may join the Program Open Space rally at the State House. The bus trip, state house tour and rally are free, but there is a charge for the Naval Academy tour. Participants are responsible for their own dinners.

Reservations should be made by Tuesday, January 30, by calling 474-6878.

Adult Education Courses Begin on January 29

The Adult Education Office of the Prince Georges County Public Schools will hold short-term and 11-week adult education classes during the day and evening which include courses ranging from computer programming money management, spelling and grammar on the job, to preparation for the GED.

Registration for the spring session will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at Greenbelt Middle School, 8950 Edmonston Road.

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BELTWAY PLAZA

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tains a commitment to maintain the trees. In addition, under the agreement drafted by Manzi, Brown would not oppose changing to waive the I-1 zoning to CSC. It was this provision, agreeing to waive the I-1 zoning to which Brown took exception. He suggested alternative language under which he would agree not to use the site for "heavy manufacturing" and "noxious uses." Council debated at length whether to accept Brown's language or insist on the original waiver, which Brown had termed a "deal-breaker" in a telephone call with Mayor Gil Weidenfeld.

Manzi and City Planning and Development Coordinator Celia Wilson felt that the I-1 zoning, which permits light manufacturing and warehousing, has tougher standards than the CSC zone for parking and landscape buffering. The "noxious use" language that Brown suggested also would give the city great latitude in rejecting proposed tenants that could adversely affect the health and safety of the community said Manzi. Any use that presented a traffic hazard, for example a car wash that would result in cars queuing onto Greenbelt Road, could be considered a "noxious use" by the community. "Warehousing as an accessory to commercial use" is limited to a certain percentage of the commercial space.

Manzi also noted that Brown has a strong argument to a "vested right" to the I-1 zoning, since he has developed and utilized the space under that zoning.

Council member Antoinette Bram argued that dropping the agreement to waive the zoning would allow Brown to introduce manufacturing or other undesirable uses in the future if the business climate changed and manufacturing proved more valuable than commercial. The light manufacturing that would be permitted under I-1 could include baking, brewing and cereal production.

Mayor pro tem Thomas X. White pointed out that Brown's proposed language excluding "heavy manufacturing" in fact gave the city nothing since heavy manufacturing is not permitted under I-1. In the motion that council passed, the word "heavy" was removed so that any manufacturing would be precluded.

City Manager James Giese pointed out that the debate on zoning did not address the main issue, which was the appeal of the DDS as it applied to parking. With the agreement, the city would have written assurance of substantial amenities. If the agreement were not reached and the city won its appeal, the city would get 40 additional parking spaces. If the agreement were not reached and the city lost its appeal, it would get neither amenities nor parking spaces.

Council passed a motion to accept the motion without the waiver of I-1 zoning but with Brown's language amended to preclude any manufacturing. Council members Edward Putens and Bram voted against the motion. Brown signed the agreement as amended by this motion.

The potential agreement followed a work session held Wednesday, January 10 at which Brown presented the site plans for the plaza expansion that had been approved by the County Planning Board. The remainder of this article is an account of that work session.

Background

Construction has begun for the addition of a 45,000-square-foot

store and parking structure on the back of the two-story section of the plaza. This addition will house the Sports Authority, a very large, discount-priced sporting goods chain. Brown believes that such an "anchor" store is needed to bring shoppers and tenants to the recently renovated upstairs portion of the plaza, much of which is now vacant.

The county had issued a stop-work order on the construction pending approval of a site plan. While the existing plaza has been exempt from landscaping and parking space requirements through "grandfathering," county standards apply to the addition. A site plan was developed that includes repaving of and modifications to the parking lot and the interior roadway system, creation of interior landscape islands at the end of parking aisles to encourage drivers to stay within lanes, and perimeter plantings.

This plan was reviewed by the city's Advisory Planning Board (APB) and the city council in October. The APB and City Planning and Development Coordinator Celia Wilson had recommended additional interior landscape islands and perimeter plantings as well as further steps to create a "ring road" around the plaza and ease congestion at the eastern-most entrance from Greenbelt Road. Many of their recommendations were incorporated into the site plan that was submitted to the county.

The city had appealed this approval by the County Planning Board (CPB). At issue were the requirements for additional parking spaces and the application by the CPB of a 1969 parking space waiver for the plaza. The city maintained that up to 200 more parking spaces are needed than are provided in the site plan. CPB, while acknowledging that the 1969 waiver had been misapplied previously, felt that the current situation would be the end of any such "grandfathering" and that the plan substantially met the intent of the requirements. The appeal was scheduled to be heard by the board on January 22.

Airing of Views

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld and city

council members Joseph Isaacs, Antoinette Bram and Edward Putens met with Brown and three of his associates at a work session on January 10. Brown outlined the planned improvements to the plaza, which will cost \$300,000 exclusive of parking lot striping and the Sports Authority building. The changes that had been made to the plan to satisfy the city had doubled the cost. He is willing to agree to additional recommendations if the cost does not exceed another \$10,000.

Brown termed the depth of goods and prices at the Sports Authority "dazzling." Its presence and location will bring shoppers and tenants to the renovated second floor, helping to turn an unproductive empty space into a useful, accessible, pleasing shopping area, Brown said. In addition, Brown maintained, renting the space will contribute to a better tax base since the stores will bring in more sales tax and assessments would go up on rented space.

Robert Manzi, attorney for the city, gave a background on the approvals and the city's appeal. Depending on method of calculation used, the "missing" parking spaces may total as few as 40 or as many as 200. The additional landscaping that the city has requested would meet all of the landscaping requirements of the code along the property line. With an approved site plan, the plaza's "grandfathering" will end and the owner will have to petition for any amendments.

In a lively discussion, council members sought assurances that the work at the plaza will be carried out and maintained according to plan, noting that Brown and the council have not developed as cooperative a working relationship as council would have liked.

Brown stressed his absolute obligation under county law to spend \$300,000 in improvements as detailed in the approved plan. As Robert Miller, attorney for Brown, pointed out, \$25,000 has been placed in an escrow account pending the city's approval of the completed project.

At Weidenfeld's request, Wilson described the conditions under which staff would recommend that the city drop its appeal of the DDS. These condi-

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tions included planting of additional shrubbery and trees along Greenbelt Road, Breezewood and Cherrywood of specified sizes and at set center-line distances as well as commitments in writing to maintain all landscaping, restore the construction staging area, give the city early review of permits and involvement in signage master plan.

Putens asked Brown for his commitment to bring the center up to a standard worthy of the citizens of Greenbelt. Isaacs expressed the hope that the parties could reach agreement and have Brown as a cooperative partner in the community. Brown referred to the tremendous investment of time and money that is being made to the shopping center. He wants to be proud of it and enjoy it, he said, so that Beltway Plaza will be "pretty, valuable, and a credit to the city and to Sidney Brown."

Registration Open For Driver Ed

The Board of Education of the Prince Georges County Public Schools announces registration for the After School Driver Education Programs.

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Most of us are required to have our vehicles tested for emission levels set by the state, so we have a lot of questions about whether our vehicles will pass.

There is no maintenance possible on the catalytic converter itself that will prolong its life, but it can become contaminated by a poor-running engine or by engine-controlling devices that are not working properly. Most of the failures are because of blockage. If the converter becomes blocked, excessive exhaust back-pressure develops, and the engine will not run. In some cases the engine will not even start.

The converter is required by law to be in place and to be in operating order.

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